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Teacher Certification Initial Application **Instructions & Requirements**

To make the initial application more time efficient, applicants need to be proactive and collect all the needed documentation, as listed below, and submit all documentation to the Department at one time. It is the responsibility of the applicant to confirm with the institution that all needed documentation has been submitted to the Department of Education.

1. Initial application form with the conduct review statements;
2. Official transcripts from each accredited postsecondary institution attended;
3. Appropriate fee;
 - a. One year validity - \$15;
 - b. Five year validity - \$30;
 - c. Ten year validity - \$50 (advanced degree only).
4. A copy of all passing Praxis II test scores provided by the testing company. Teachers new to the profession or to the state are required to pass Praxis II tests specific to the content areas they will be teaching. The department may issue a one-year certificate allowing an applicant to complete required Praxis test(s). Testing information is at <http://doe.sd.gov/oatq/praxis/ind>.
 - a. Teachers new to the profession also must take the Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) test that most closely matches their level of preparation.
 - b. If you have prior contracted teaching experience on a valid teaching certificate, you can submit a Verification of Experience form printed from <http://doe.sd.gov/oatq/teachercert/index.asp> or a copy of your Praxis II PLT test score.
5. A university sign-off completed by the certifying officer of the university where preparation was received.
6. Applicants whose programs are more than five years old must provide proof of six university transcribed credits obtained within the last five years immediately preceding the date of application. The department may issue a one-year certificate allowing an applicant to complete the required college credits.

SOUTH DAKOTA TEACHER CERTIFICATE INITIAL APPLICATION

Department of Education, Office of Accreditation and Teacher Quality, 700 Governors Drive, Pierre, SD 57501

_____ I am applying for a one-year certificate (\$15)

_____ I am applying for a five-year certificate (\$30)

_____ I am applying for a one-time 10-year certificate (\$50) – completed advanced degree after March 2006

APPLICANT:

Social Security Number

Date of Birth

Last Name

First

Initial

Phone (Day)

Street Address

Phone (Evening)

City

State

Zip+4

Email

Yes____**No**____ Have you ever been certified to teach in another state? If yes, attach a copy of your certificate(s).

Colleges/Universities Attended

Year(s)

College/University

City/State

Degree/Major

X*

*Request official transcripts from all universities attended and indicate with an "X" which of the transcripts will be sent to the Department of Education separate from this application.

Citizenship and Oath of Allegiance SDCL 13-42-6

Are you a United States citizen? **Yes**_____ **No**_____

If no, of which country are you a citizen? _____

***Note:** Legal aliens are not required to sign the oath of allegiance but must submit proof of legal alien status, such as a copy of his/her green card.*

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the United States and that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of the State of South Dakota and the information contained in this application is true and correct to the extent of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant _____

UNIVERSITY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

APPLICANT:

Social Security Number

Date of Birth

Last Name**First****Initial**

Phone (Day)

Street Address

Phone (Evening)

City**State****Zip+4**

Email

University Sign-off

I hereby certify that _____ (applicant) satisfactorily completed the following education program(s).

Date of program completion

Date of program completion

Signature of Authorized Official**Title****Date**

Print Name of Authorized Official

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Telephone #

University**Address****Zip**

Check the appropriate program completed below. Submit an official transcript and application with all attachments to the Department of Education, Office of Accreditation and Teacher Quality, 700 Governors Drive, Pierre, SD 57501.

Certain preparations and endorsements need to be validated with a Praxis II test. The colors indicate the following:

- Blue – Indicates that both coursework *and* the designated test must be completed to add a major and/or endorsement in the content area(s) to a certificate.
- Green – Indicates tests that may be taken without verification of coursework to add an endorsement(s) to a certificate. (Note: These tests cannot be taken to obtain majors. Other states may not accept endorsement level of preparation for certification.)
- Red – Indicates there is no test for this area and that coursework must be completed to add a major and/or endorsement to a certificate.
- Violet – Indicates that the endorsement may be added with either coursework OR the appropriate test.
- Pink – Indicates that the endorsement may be added with documentation of work experience/certificate of completion or coursework.

Additional information on the required tests can be found at: <http://doe.sd.gov/oatq/praxis/>

A. Professional Preparation

For the following section, place an “X” in the blank if the applicant has completed an approved program or has met the minimum requirements necessary for qualification. To check program descriptions or minimum requirements, visit <http://legis.state.sd.us/rules/DisplayRule.aspx?Rule=24:15:06> and <http://legis.state.sd.us/rules/DisplayRule.aspx?Rule=24:53>.

Administrators

An individual who has completed an approved graduate program for principals or school superintendents at an accredited institution and has been issued a South Dakota Certificate.

- ___ **300** PK-12 Principal [24:53:08:01](#)
- ___ **301** P-8 Elementary Principal [24:53:08:01](#)
- ___ **302** 7-12 Secondary Principal [24:53:08:01](#)
- ___ **304** P-12 Career School Superintendent [24:53:08:02](#)

Other Administrative Authorizations

- ___ **350** PK-12 Principal Endorsement [24:15:06:33](#)
- ___ **351** PK-8 Elementary Principal Endorsement [24:15:06:33](#) or [24:15:06:36](#)
- ___ **352** 7-12 Secondary Principal Endorsement [24:15:06:33](#) or [24:15:06:36](#)
- ___ **354** Superintendent Endorsement [24:15:06:34](#)

School Service Specialists

An individual who serves as a school counselor, a school social worker, school psychologist, school psychological examiner, school speech/language pathologist, school library media specialist, special education director, curriculum director or business official endorsement and has been issued a South Dakota certificate.

- ___ **400** School Social Worker [24:53:09:05](#)
- ___ **401** School Counselor [24:53:09:01](#)
- ___ **402** B-21 School Speech/Language Pathologist [24:53:09:04](#)
- ___ **404** B-21 School Psychologist [24:53:09:03](#)
- ___ **406** Birth-21 Special Education Director [24:53:09:06](#)
- ___ **407** Curriculum Director [24:53:09:07](#)
- ___ **412** School Library/Media Specialist [24:53:09:02](#)

Other School Service Specialists Authorizations

- ___ **405** B-21 School Psychological Examiner Endorsement [24:15:06:35](#)
- ___ **452** School Library/Media Endorsement [24:15:06:17](#)
- ___ **455** Business Official Endorsement [24:15:06:38](#)

Teachers

An individual who has completed an approved education program for teachers at an accredited four-year institution or a professional development plan for alternative certification and has been issued a South Dakota certificate.

- ___ **201** Birth- Preschool Education [24:53:07:01](#)
- ___ **202** K-8 Elementary Education [24:53:07:04](#)
- ___ **203** K-8 Elementary Education w/5-8 Middle Level [24:53:07:04](#)
- ___ **204** 7-12 Secondary Education [24:53:07:07](#)
- ___ **205** 7-12 Secondary Education w/5-8 Middle Level [24:53:07:07](#)
- ___ **206** K-12 Special Education [24:53:07:25](#)
- ___ **209** K-12 Deaf/Hearing Impaired Education [24:53:07:25](#)
- ___ **211** K-12 Reading Specialist [24:53:07:27](#)
- ___ **213** K-12 Blind/Visually Impaired Education [24:53:07:25](#)
- ___ **215** 5-8 Middle Level Education [24:53:07:06](#)
- ___ **218** K-8 Elementary Education/Special Education [24:53:07:05](#)
- ___ **219** Birth – Age 8 Early Childhood [24:53:07:02](#)
- ___ **221** Birth -- Age 8 Early Childhood/ Birth-Age 8 Special Education [24:53:07:03](#)
- ___ **223** K-12 Education [24:53:07:18](#)
- ___ **224** K-12 Education w/ 5-8 Middle Level [24:53:07:18](#)
- ___ **225** 7-12 Mathematics/Science Composite [24:53:07:28](#)

Other Teacher Authorizations

- ___ **251** Birth - Preschool Education Endorsement [24:15:06:02](#)
- ___ **252** K-12 Mathematics Specialist Endorsement [24:15:06:39](#)
- ___ **253** K-12 Science Specialist Endorsement [24:15:06:40](#)
- ___ **258** K-12 Gifted Endorsement [24:15:06:26](#)
- ___ **259** K-12 Deaf Endorsement [24:15:06:22](#)

- ___ **263** K-12 Blind/Visually Impaired Endorsement [24:15:06:37](#)
- ___ **264** Kindergarten Endorsement [24:15:06:03](#)
- ___ **265** Middle School Endorsement [24:15:06:04](#)
- ___ **267** Birth - PK Special Education Endorsement [24:15:06:23](#)
- ___ **268** K-8 Special Education Endorsement [24:15:06:41](#)
- ___ **269** 7-12 Special Education Endorsement [24:15:06:41](#)
- ___ **270** K-12 Special Education Endorsement [24:15:06:41](#)

B. Degree Program (24:53:07)

Place an “X” in the blank before the appropriate three-digit codes to identify the program level of a degree with a major or equivalent.

C. Endorsement Program (24:15:06)

Place an “X” in the blank before the appropriate four-digit codes to identify the endorsement level of an approved minor or less. The Department of Education will evaluate transcripts and identify endorsement eligibility.

Art Education

- ___ **620** K-12 Art Education [24:53:07:19](#)
- ___ **6200** K-12 Art Education Endorsement [24:15:06:14](#)

Coaching Endorsements–Varsity Head Coach (24:15:06:32)

- ___ **7011** Basketball
- ___ **7012** Football
- ___ **7013** Golf
- ___ **7014** Gymnastics
- ___ **7015** Swimming
- ___ **7016** Tennis
- ___ **7017** Track/Cross Country
- ___ **7018** Volleyball
- ___ **7019** Wrestling
- ___ **7020** Soccer

Other Coaching Endorsements–All Sports

- ___ **7021** 7-12 Assistant Varsity Coach
- ___ **7022** Middle School/Junior High Coach
- ___ **7023** K-8 Elementary Coach

Educational Technology

- ___ **671** K-12 Educational Technology Education [24:53:07:21](#)
- ___ **6710** K-12 Educational Technology Endorsement [24:15:06:16](#)

Health/Physical Education

- ___ **631** K-12 Comprehensive School Health Education [24:53:07:20](#)
- ___ **6310** K-12 Comprehensive School Health Education Endorsement [24:15:06:15](#)
- ___ **632** K-12 Physical Education [24:53:07:23](#)
- ___ **6320** K-12 Physical Education Endorsement [24:15:06:19](#)
- ___ **6330** K-12 Adapted Physical Education Endorsement [24:15:06:20](#)

Language Arts Education

- ___ **570** 7-12 Language Arts – Composite [24:53:07:08\(2\)](#)
- ___ **5710** 7-12 Language Arts: English Education Endorsement (Composition/Grammar) [24:15:06:06\(1\)](#)
- ___ **5720** 7-12 Language Arts: English Education Endorsement (Literature) [24:15:06:06\(3\)](#)
- ___ **5760** Language Arts: Speech/Debate/Drama/Theater Endorsement [24:15:06:06\(06\)](#)
- ___ **5770** Language Arts: Composition/Grammar/Mass Communications Endorsement [24:15:06:06\(7\)](#)
- ___ **5780** Language Arts: Literature and Composition/Grammar Endorsement [24:15:06:06\(8\)](#)
- ___ **573** 7-12 Language Arts: Speech/Debate [24:53:07:08\(5\)](#)
- ___ **5730** 7-12 Language Arts: Speech/Debate Endorsement [24:15:06:06\(5\)](#)
- ___ **574** 7-12 Language Arts: Drama/Theater [24:53:07:08\(3\)](#)
- ___ **5740** 7-12 Language Arts: Drama/Theater Endorsement [24:15:06:06\(2\)](#)
- ___ **575** 7-12 Language Arts: Mass Communications [24:53:07:08\(4\)](#)
- ___ **5750** 7-12 Language Arts: Mass Communications Endorsement [24:15:06:06\(4\)](#)
- ___ **576** 7-12 Language Arts: English Education(Composition/Literature/Speech)

Mathematics Education

- ___ **580** 7-12 Mathematics Education [24:53:07:09](#)
- ___ **5800** 7-12 Mathematics Education Endorsement [24:15:06:07](#)

Middle Level Education Endorsements

- ___ **2001** 5-8 Middle Level Education Endorsement – Language Art [24:15:06:05\(1\)](#)
- ___ **2002** 5-8 Middle Level Education Endorsement – Social Science [24:15:06:05\(4\)](#)
- ___ **2003** 5-8 Middle Level Education Endorsement – Natural Science [24:15:06:05\(3\)](#)
- ___ **2004** 5-8 Middle Level Education Endorsement – Mathematics [24:15:06:05\(2\)](#)

Music Education

- ___ **650** K-12 Music Education – Composite [24:53:07:22](#)
- ___ **651** K-12 Music Education – Vocal Music [24:53:07:22](#)
- ___ **6510** K-12 Music Education – Vocal Music Endorsement [24:15:06:18](#)
- ___ **652** K-12 Music Education – Instrumental Music [24:53:07:22](#)
- ___ **6520** K-12 Music Education – Instrumental Music Endorsement [24:15:06:18](#)

Science Education

- ___ **591** 7-12 Science Education – Biology [24:53:07:10\(2\)](#)
- ___ **5910** 7-12 Science Education – Biology Endorsement [24:15:06:08\(1\)](#)
- ___ **592** 7-12 Science Education – Chemistry [24:53:07:10\(3\)](#)
- ___ **5920** 7-12 Science Education – Chemistry Endorsement [24:15:06:08\(2\)](#)
- ___ **593** 7-12 Science Education – Physics [24:53:07:10\(4\)](#)
- ___ **5930** 7-12 Science Education – Physics Endorsement [24:15:06:08\(3\)](#)
- ___ **594** 7-12 Science Education – Physical Science [24:53:07:10\(6\)](#)
- ___ **5940** 7-12 Science Education – Physical Science Endorsement [24:15:06:08\(5\)](#)
- ___ **595** 7-12 Science Education – Earth Science [24:53:07:10\(5\)](#)
- ___ **5950** 7-12 Science Education – Earth Science Endorsement [24:15:06:08\(4\)](#)

Social Science Education

- ___ **601** 7-12 Social Science Education – History [24:53:07:11\(4\)](#)
- ___ **6010** 7-12 Social Science Education –History Endorsement [24:15:06:09\(2\)](#)
- ___ **602** 7-12 Social Science Education – Political Science [24:53:07:11\(5\)](#)
- ___ **6020** 7-12 Social Science Education – Political Science Endorsement [24:15:06:09\(4\)](#)
- ___ **603** 7-12 Social Science Education – Geography [24:53:07:11\(3\)](#)
- ___ **6030** 7-12 Social Science Education – Geography Endorsement [24:15:06:09\(3\)](#)

- ___ **604** 7-12 Social Science Education – Economics [24:53:07:11\(2\)](#)
- ___ **6040** 7-12 Social Science Education – Economics Endorsement [24:15:06:09\(1\)](#)
- ___ **605** 7-12 Social Science Education – Sociology [24:53:07:11](#)
- ___ **6050** 7-12 Social Science Education –Sociology Endorsement [24:15:06:09\(6\)](#)
- ___ **606** 7-12 Social Science Education – Psychology [24:53:07:11\(6\)](#)
- ___ **6060** 7-12 Social Science Education –Psychology Endorsement [24:15:06:09\(5\)](#)
- ___ **608** K-12 South Dakota Indian studies [24:53:07:24](#)
- ___ **6080** K-12 South Dakota Indian studies Endorsement [24:15:06:21](#)
- ___ **609** 7-12 Social Science Education – Composite [24:53:07:11\(1\)](#)

Stand Alone Instructor Endorsements

- ___ **6810** 7-12 Driver Education Endorsement – Instructor [24:15:06:30](#)
- ___ **8002** Junior ROTC Education Endorsement [24:15:06:31](#)
- ___ **951** K-12 American Sign Language Education Endorsement [24:15:06:27](#)
- ___ **953** K-12 Braille Education Endorsement [24:15:06:28](#)

Career and Technical Education

- ___ **510** 7-12 Agriculture Education [24:53:07:13](#)
- ___ **5100** 7-12 Agriculture Education Endorsement [24:15:06:10](#)
- ___ **520** 7-12 Business Education [24:53:07:14](#)
- ___ **5200** 7-12 Business Education Endorsement [24:15:06:11](#)
- ___ **530** 7-12 Marketing Education [24:53:07:16](#)
- ___ **5300** 7-12 Marketing Education Endorsement [24:15:06:12](#)
- ___ **550** 7-12 Family and Consumer Sciences Education [24:53:07:15](#)
- ___ **5500** 7-12 Family and Consumer Sciences Education Endorsement [24:15:06:42](#)
- ___ **561** 7-12 Technology Education [24:53:07:17](#)
- ___ **5610** 7-12 Technology Education Endorsement [24:15:06:13](#)
- ___ **5611** 6-8 Engineering Endorsement [24:15:06:58](#)
- ___ **5612** 9-12 Engineering Endorsement [24:15:06:59](#)
- ___ **5613** 9-12 Biomedical Science Endorsement [24:15:06:60](#)
- ___ **610** 7-12 Career and Technical Education [24:53:07:12](#)
- ___ **6101** 7-12 Auto Body Technology Endorsement [24:15:06:43](#)
- ___ **6102** 7-12 Automotive Technology Endorsement [24:15:06:44](#)

Career and Technical Education, cont.

- ___ **6104** 7-12 Building Trades Endorsement [24:15:06:45](#)
- ___ **6105** 7-12 Drafting Endorsement [24:15:06:51](#)
- ___ **6107** 7-12 Electronics Endorsement [24:15:06:52](#)
- ___ **6109** 7-12 Welding Technology Endorsement [24:15:06:57](#)
- ___ **6110** 7-12 Machine Tool Technology Endorsement [24:15:06:55](#)
- ___ **6111** 7-12 Culinary Arts and Restaurant Management Endorsement [24:15:06:50](#)
- ___ **6113** 7-12 Multi-Media Endorsement [24:15:06:56](#)
- ___ **6114** 7-12 Health Science Endorsement [24:15:06:54](#)
- ___ **6118** 7-12 Graphic Design Endorsement [24:15:06:53](#)
- ___ **6141** 7-12 Computer Aided Manufacturing Endorsement [24:15:06:46](#)
- ___ **6721** 7-12 Computer Networking Endorsement [24:15:06:48](#)
- ___ **6722** 7-12 Computer Repair & Maintenance Endorsement [24:15:06:49](#)
- ___ **6723** 7-12 Computer Cabling Endorsement [24:15:06:47](#)

World Languages Education

- ___ **541** K-12 Latin [24:53:07:26](#)
- ___ **5410** K-12 Latin Endorsement [24:15:06:24](#)
- ___ **542** K-12 French [24:53:07:26](#)
- ___ **5420** K-12 French Endorsement [24:15:06:24](#)
- ___ **543** K-12 German [24:53:07:26](#)
- ___ **5430** K-12 German Endorsement [24:15:06:24](#)
- ___ **544** K-12 Spanish [24:53:07:26](#)
- ___ **5440** K-12 Spanish Endorsement [24:15:06:24](#)
- ___ **545** K-12 Russian [24:53:07:26](#)
- ___ **5450** K-12 Russian Endorsement [24:15:06:24](#)
- ___ **546** K-12 Japanese [24:53:07:26](#)
- ___ **5460** K-12 Japanese Endorsement [24:15:06:24](#)
- ___ **547** K-12 Lakota Languages [24:53:07:26](#)
- ___ **5470** K-12 Lakota Languages Endorsement [24:15:06:29](#)
- ___ **549** K-12 Norwegian [24:53:07:26](#)
- ___ **5490** K-12 Norwegian Endorsement [24:15:06:24](#)
- ___ **579** K-12 Other Languages [24:53:07:26](#)
- ___ **5790** K-12 Other Languages Endorsement [24:15:06:24](#)

Other

- ___ **5791** K-12 English as a New Language Endorsement [24:15:06:25](#)

APPLICANT CONDUCT REVIEW STATEMENT
SDCL 13-42-9, 13-42-10, 25-7A-56

GENERAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

Applicants **must** respond to all questions before an application for certification can be processed.

IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION	
Applicant Full Name (Last, First, Middle)	Previous Full Name or (nickname)
Social Security Number	Date of Birth (Mo., Date, Year)

Failure to answer any of these questions in a truthful and complete manner or failure to provide truthful information or documentation requested could lead to denial of a certificate to teach or hold an administrative certificate in South Dakota, or could lead to disciplinary action being taken against any teaching or school administrative certification that you possess.

Respond to **EVERY** item. If an arrow (➡) follows your response, follow the instruction given. Please attach any/all requested materials to your application, numbering the attachments with the number of the applicable item. If you do not respond to an item, or if the required attachments do not accompany your application, your application **may be significantly delayed**.

1. Have you ever been charged, indicted, summoned or tried in any criminal matter?

☐ YES ☐ NO

➡ If **YES** – Please explain briefly, and submit in hardcopy all certified documents relating to the criminal matter/offense. Please attach all certified documents to your application and mail to: Teacher Certification, Department of Education, 700 Governors Drive, Pierre, South Dakota 57501. For questions regarding the Conduct Review Statement, you may call Lisa Lomheim at 605-773-4705.

2. Have you ever been convicted, been charged with, or pleaded guilty to any crime?

The term **conviction** includes a finding of guilt by a judge or jury, or admission of guilt or plea of guilty, or a plea without an admission of guilt. You must include those crimes where the sentence was stayed, suspended, executed or you received a suspended imposition of sentence.

The term **crime** includes misdemeanor and felony offenses. It does not include petty offenses such as minor traffic offenses, including but not limited to: Speeding tickets, stop sign violations, or careless driving offenses. If you are not sure whether the crime would be a minor offense, please include the offense.

All persons hired by a school district (either directly or by contract/agreement) shall submit to a criminal background check investigation by means of fingerprint checks by the Division of Criminal Investigation and Federal Bureau of Investigation. SDCL 13-10-12. Criminal convictions may be considered in hiring decisions. SDCL 13-10-13 Suspension or resignation of Employee for criminal conviction shall be reported to the Department of Education. SDCL 13-10-15.

☐ YES ☐ NO

➔ If **YES** – Please explain briefly. Please attach certified court documents indicating the crime for which you were convicted, the dates of your conviction or plea of guilty, and the dates you were sentenced, and the sentence imposed. If you have been discharged from probation, include information regarding your discharge from probation. If you are currently on probation, provide the name and telephone number of your probation officer. Please attach all court documents to your application form and mail to: Teacher Certification, Department of Education, 700 Governors Drive, Pierre, South Dakota, 57501 For questions regarding the Conduct Review Statement, you may contact Lisa Lomheim at 605 -773 -4705.

3. Has it ever been determined by a judge or jury in South Dakota or elsewhere that a child or minor adult was abused or neglected through your actions or omission?

☐ YES ☐ NO

➔ If **YES** – Please explain briefly and provide court documents.

4. Have you ever been in arrears or failed to pay child support in this state or elsewhere?

Certificates will not be issued to anyone in child support arrears according to SDCL 25-7A-56.

☐ YES ☐ NO

➔ If **YES** – Please explain briefly and provide court documents.

5. Have you ever had any credential, certificate or license authorizing school teaching or educational service suspended, revoked, voided, denied, cancelled, rescinded, or rejected for cause and /or otherwise taken away in South Dakota or in any other state, commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United States of America or elsewhere?

☐ YES ☐ NO

➔ If **YES** – Please attach documents explaining the action, location(s), dates(s) and agency involved.

6. Is there any type of adverse action pending against any credential, license or certificate that you now hold or have ever held that authorizes school teaching or educational service?

☐ YES ☐ NO

➔ If **YES** – Please attach material explaining the action or charges, location(s), dates(s) and agency involved

7. Have you ever left employment, been discharged, terminated or resigned to avoid dismissal or disciplinary action?

☐ YES ☐ NO

➔ If **YES** – Please explain briefly.

8. Have you ever held a license, certificate or credential, other than as a teacher or administrator, which has been revoked, cancelled, rescinded, suspended or taken away in South Dakota or elsewhere? (i.e., certified public accountant, insurance agent, real estate broker, etc.)?

☐ YES ☐ NO

➔ If YES, state the license, certificate or credential held and present the status of each.

9. Is there any information not disclosed by your answers concerning your background, history, experience, education, or activities which may have some bearing on your character, moral fitness, or eligibility to teach or hold an administrative position in South Dakota and which should be placed at the disposal or brought to the attention of the South Dakota Department of Education?

☐ YES ☐ NO

➔ If YES, state the facts fully, but concisely.

* The Secretary of the Department of Education may deny, revoke or suspend a certificate for any cause which would have prevented its issue, plain violation of contract, gross immorality, incompetency, violation of the Code of Ethics effective July 1, 2001, flagrant neglect of duty or conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude. SDCL 13-42-7, 13-42-9 and 13-42-10. The Secretary may suspend any certificate for a period not to exceed one year for breaking or jumping a contract, if such suspension is requested by the school board. However, the secretary may not suspend a certificate for breaking or jumping a contract if the school board collected liquidated damages pursuant to the terms of the contract. SDCL 13-42-9.

AUTHORIZATION

I hereby authorize the Department of Education to review and inspect any and all records maintained by the State of South Dakota, Tribal entities and/or the Federal Government for the purpose of verifying the answers submitted above.

I further agree to provide any additional documentation or records requested by the South Dakota Department of Education that pertains to information submitted as a part of this application.

I declare and affirm under penalties of perjury pursuant to SDCL 22-29-9.1 that this application has been examined by me, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, is in all things true, accurate, complete and correct. I understand that any intentional falsification, misrepresentation or omission of facts or falsification of statements on accompanying documents may result in criminal charges and/or the denial of certification, and could affect the status of my teaching or school administrative certificate.

Signature of Applicant

Date